Construction of an underground passenger sub-way at Nizamuddin level crossing

3015. SHRIMATI SAYEEDA KHATUN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the passing of about 120 trains per day at the Nizamuddin level crossing are causing frequent traffic jams and causing a lot of inconvenience to the travelling public;

(b) whether there is any proposal to construct an underground passenger subway at the said crossing by the Northern Railway at a cost of about Rs. 1 crore; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by Government to complete the construction work expeditiously?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Plans/estimate for the work have been finalised and the tender work has been taken in hand by the Railway. While the sub-way across the tracks is likely to be completed by the Railway by mid 1993, its commissioning will depend on completion of the approaches by the Delhi Administration.

Opening of a tender by COFMOW

3016. SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI:

SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that COFMOW has opened a tender (OP/340) on 11th January, 1991 for one number of universal multi-purpose wheel lathe;

(b) whether it is a fact that the lowest technically suitable offer is from an Indian firm who has developed it indigenously, whereas all along it was either being imported or manufactured in India with majority of imported components;

(c) whether the Financial Adviser, COFMOW, has been trying to cancel the tender by returning the demand to the intender to which intender is not agreeing; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) The tender OP-340 for one multi-purpose wheel lathe was opened on 31-1-1991.

(b) In this tender only 2 firms have submitted their offers. Both the firms are Indian firms. As such the lowest technically suitable offer will be from one of the Indian firms only. The technical suitability of any particular offer against this tender (OP-340) cannot be commented at this time as the tender is still under finalisation.

(c) COFMOW had sought some clarifications from the indentor which is a normal feature. The demand has not been returned.

(d) Does not arise.

Circular railway line at Hyderabad

3017. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any proposal from Government of Andhra Pradesh for installing circular Railway line at Hyderabad; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b) State Government of Andhra Pradesh have submitted a proposal to the Central Government for installing 22.5 km. long Light Rail Transit system for Hyderabad at a cost of Rs. 307 crores.